

ABSTRACT

[0025] Generally, a method and apparatus for the automated acquisition of information related to fishing is provided. In one embodiment, a data acquisition system is provided comprising a memory, a processor coupled to the memory, a communication port for coupling to a vessel navigation system and a switch, which when actuated, causes information retrieved from the vessel navigation system to be stored in memory. The information, which includes attributes associated with the event, may be recall for viewing and analysis. The information may also be exported from the data acquisition system to a remotely stored database.